Performance of C.B.I.

358. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Personnel and Training had made an assessment of the performance of CBI and brought out a document;

(b) if so, whether it was found that the CBI is understaffed and therefore unable to handle a large number of cases assigned to it;

(c) whether the report says that in trap cases involving corruption among bureaucrats and government officials, the acquittal rate has been found high; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Recommendations of Pranab Mukherjee Committee

359. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pranab Mukherjee Committee recommended to ban doctors, engineers and other professional and technical persons from appearing for the civil service examinations;

(b) if so, the details of the major recommendations made by Pranab Mukherjee Committee; and

(c) action Government have taken on the recommendations of the Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) to (c) In the ninety ninth report on Demands for Grants (2003-2004) of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, the Committee, headed by Shri Pranab Mukherjee, has *inter-alia* recommended to have the considered views of the Union Public Service